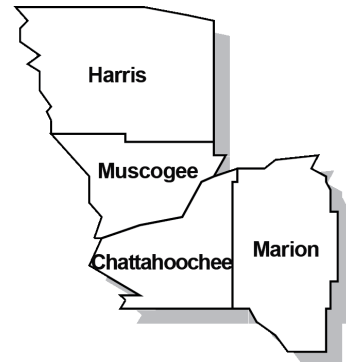




## Columbus, GA-AL

### Metropolitan Statistical Area



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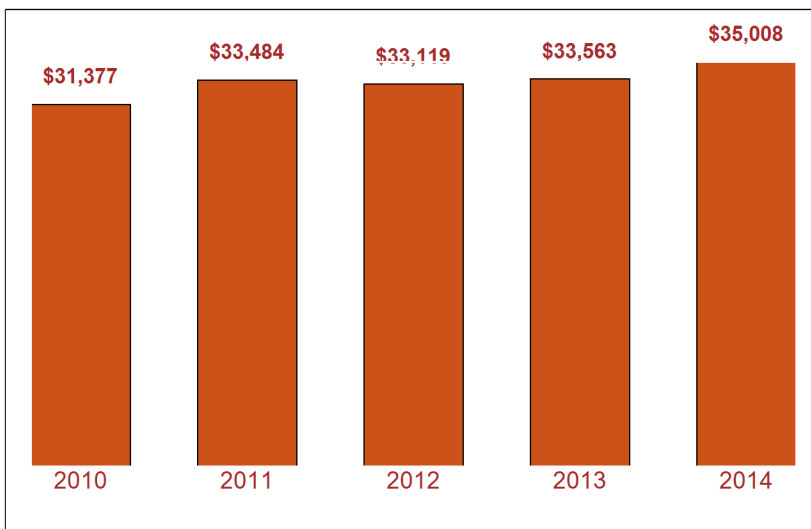
## Super Sector Industries

	Establishments			Employment			Weekly Wage		
	2015	2016	% Change	2015	2016	% Change	2015	2016	% Change
Construction	434	442	1.8%	3,295	3,324	0.9%	792	839	5.9%
Education and Health Services	723	781	8.0%	13,682	13,432	-1.8%	865	839	-3.0%
Financial Activities	619	614	-0.8%	11,901	11,644	-2.2%	1,082	1,203	11.2%
Information	66	64	-3.0%	1,304	1,194	-8.4%	741	736	-0.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	579	590	1.9%	13,078	12,549	-4.0%	298	309	3.7%
Manufacturing	164	170	3.7%	7,822	7,264	-7.1%	928	945	1.8%
Natural Resources, Mining, and Agriculture	30	32	6.7%	326	291	-10.7%	817	906	10.9%
Other Services	477	481	0.8%	2,866	2,683	-6.4%	648	608	-6.2%
Professional and Business Services	853	869	1.9%	11,382	11,302	-0.7%	855	874	2.2%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	1,136	1,153	1.5%	15,449	15,616	1.1%	574	597	4.0%
Unclassified	214	229	7.0%	206	219	6.3%	652	745	14.3%
Government	234	234	0.0%	20,848	20,893	0.2%	777	749	-3.6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,529</b>	<b>5,659</b>	<b>2.4%</b>	<b>102,158</b>	<b>100,411</b>	<b>-1.7%</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>1.9%</b>

Note: All figures are 2nd Quarter of 2015 and 2016.

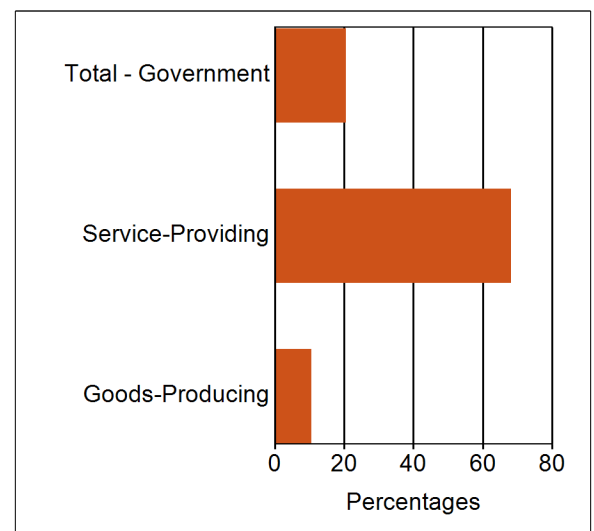
### Columbus, GA-AL Metropolitan Statistical Area Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



### Columbus, GA-AL Industry Mix 2016

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



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# Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2016

	Number OF Firms	Employment		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT	
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>644</b>	<b>10,879</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>911</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	28	195	0.2	792
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	4	96	0.1	1,137
Construction	442	3,324	3.3	839
Manufacturing	170	7,264	7.2	945
Apparel	3	*	*	*
Chemical	13	195	0.2	1,390
Computer and Electronic Product	3	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	4	649	0.6	1,593
Fabricated Metal Product	26	466	0.5	787
Food	17	1,626	1.6	714
Furniture and Related Product	13	132	0.1	591
Machinery	5	*	*	*
Miscellaneous	11	85	0.1	535
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	12	127	0.1	1,003
Paper	1	*	*	*
Plastics and Rubber Products	6	108	0.1	1,087
Primary Metal	3	*	*	*
Printing and Related Support Activities	26	291	0.3	821
Textile Mills	4	479	0.5	745
Textile Product Mills	5	30	0.0	500
Transportation Equipment	11	*	*	*
Wood Product	7	380	0.4	699
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>4,552</b>	<b>68,419</b>	<b>68.1</b>	<b>744</b>
Utilities	12	255	0.3	1,260
Wholesale Trade	184	2,574	2.6	945
Retail Trade	848	11,470	11.4	474
Transportation and Warehousing	109	1,317	1.3	866
Information	64	1,194	1.2	737
Finance and Insurance	348	10,184	10.1	1,274
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	266	1,460	1.5	708
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	457	4,877	4.9	960
Management of Companies and Enterprises	63	1,284	1.3	1,898
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	349	5,141	5.1	537
Educational Services	52	603	0.6	619
Health Care and Social Assistance	729	12,829	12.8	849
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	60	1,025	1.0	349
Accommodation and Food Services	530	11,524	11.5	306
Other Services (except Public Administration)	481	2,683	2.7	607
<b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>745</b>
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>5,425</b>	<b>79,517</b>	<b>79.2</b>	<b>767</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>20,894</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>749</b>
Federal Government	78	6,673	6.6	944
State Government	57	3,467	3.5	684
Local Government	99	10,754	10.7	648
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>5,659</b>	<b>100,411</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>763</b>

Note: \*Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average number of employees who had earnings; average earnings are then divided by the number of weeks in a reporting period to obtain weekly figures. Figures in other columns may not sum accurately due to rounding. All figures are 2nd Quarter of 2016.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor. These data represent jobs that are covered by unemployment insurance laws.

# Labor Force Activity

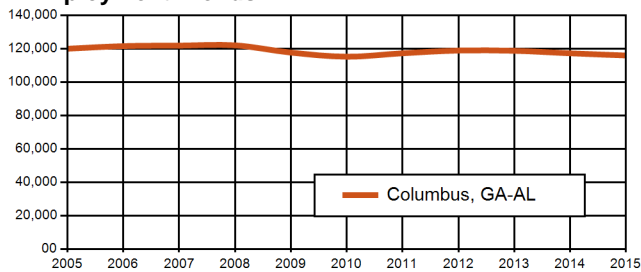
## ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force			Employed			Unemployed			Rate		
	2014	2015	% Change	2014	2015	% Change	2014	2015	% Change	2014	2015	% Change
Chattahoochee	2,234	2,199	-1.6%	2,013	2,006	-0.3%	221	193	-12.7%	9.9%	8.8%	-11.1%
Harris	15,727	15,480	-1.6%	14,790	14,672	-0.8%	937	808	-13.8%	6.0%	5.2%	-13.3%
Marion	3,456	3,454	-0.1%	3,192	3,172	-0.6%	264	282	6.8%	7.6%	8.2%	7.9%
Muscogee	80,825	79,038	-2.2%	74,045	73,211	-1.1%	6,780	5,827	-14.1%	8.4%	7.4%	-11.9%
<b>Columbus, GA-AL</b>	<b>102,242</b>	<b>100,171</b>	<b>-2.0%</b>	<b>94,040</b>	<b>93,061</b>	<b>-1.0%</b>	<b>8,202</b>	<b>7,110</b>	<b>-13.3%</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>7.1%</b>	<b>-11.3%</b>
<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>												
Georgia	4,756,708	4,770,873	0.3%	4,414,343	4,490,931	1.7%	342,365	279,942	-18.2%	7.2%	5.9%	-18.1%
United States	155,922,000	157,129,917	0.8%	146,305,000	148,833,417	1.7%	9,617,000	8,296,333	-13.7%	6.2%	5.3%	-14.5%

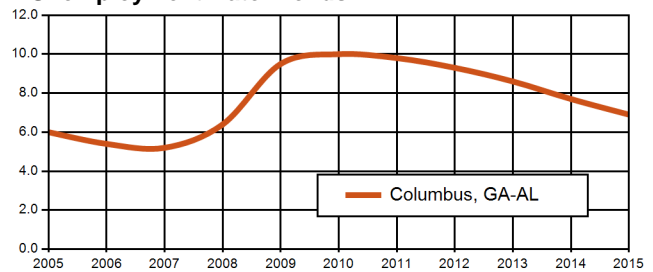
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

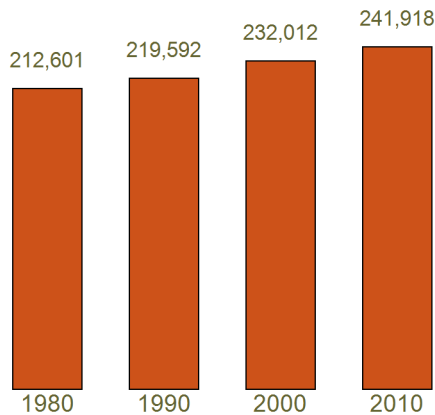
### Employment Trends



### Unemployment Rate Trends



### Population Estimates



### Population

	2010 Census	2015 Rank	2015 Estimate	% Change 2000-2015	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
Muscogee	189,885	23	200,579	5.6	220,355	16.0
Columbus, GA-AL	241,918		254,089	5.0	280,286	15.9
Georgia	9,687,653		10,214,860	5.4	11,538,707	19.1
United States	308,745,538		321,418,820	4.1	349,439,199	13.2

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, \*Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

## Top Employers - 2015\*

### TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

#### Columbus, GA-AL Metropolitan Statistical Area

American Family Life Assurance Co  
Columbus State University  
JCG Foods Of Georgia, LLC  
Logan's Roadhouse, Inc.  
St Francis Hospital, Inc.  
Synovus Financial Corp  
The Medical Center, Inc.  
TSYS Campus  
Walmart  
Wellpoint, Inc.

\*Note: Represents employment covered by unemployment insurance excluding all government agencies except correctional institutions, state and local hospitals, state colleges and universities. Data shown for the Third Quarter of 2015. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

### SIZE CLASS

Employees	Establishments	Employment
0 - 4	3,027	3,982
5 - 9	955	6,404
10 - 19	736	9,959
20 - 49	503	15,217
50 - 99	207	14,079
100 - 249	112	16,588
250 - 499	24	7,940
500 - 999	12	8,670
1000 - and over employees	9	17,944
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,585</b>	<b>100,783</b>

Note: Data shown for the Third Quarter of 2015.

## Education of the Labor Force

### Columbus, GA-AL

#### PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
	OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	4.5%	1.7%	1.9%	2.1%	3.5%	15.3%
Some High School	11.2%	15.8%	9.9%	7.3%	9.3%	16.2%
High School Grad/GED	31.4%	38.6%	26.7%	30.3%	31.6%	30.6%
Some College	26.0%	33.0%	31.4%	25.6%	24.1%	16.9%
College Grad 2 Yr	6.9%	2.9%	7.3%	10.4%	8.1%	4.3%
College Grad 4 Yr	12.9%	7.5%	17.1%	15.4%	13.8%	8.7%
Post Graduate Studies	7.1%	0.5%	5.7%	9.0%	9.7%	8.1%
Totals	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Note: Totals are based on the portion of the labor force between ages 18 - 65+. The "Some College" category represents workers with less than two years of college and no degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 Decennial Census.

## High School Graduates - 2015

	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS*	TOTAL
Chattahoochee	87	--	87
Harris	367	--	367
Marion	97	--	97
Muscogee	2,041	--	2,041
<b>Columbus, GA-AL</b>	<b>2,592</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2,592</b>



Note: Public schools include city as well as county schools systems.

\* Private schools data is not available for 2015 from Georgia Independent School Association.

Source: The Governor's Office of Student Achievement of Georgia.

# Colleges and Universities

## Columbus, GA-AL Metropolitan Statistical Area

### Muscogee

Georgia Military College-Columbus Campus	
Beacon University	beacon.edu
Troy University	benning.troy.edu
Embry-Riddle - Columbus Center	http://fusion.erau.edu/ec/www/centerinfo.cfm?code=b8
Columbus State University	www.columbusstate.edu
Columbus Technical College	www.columbusstech.edu/
Georgia Military College-Ft Benning	www.gmc.cc.ga.us
Miller-Motte Technical College-Columbus	www.miller-motte.edu
University of Phoenix-Columbus Georgia C	www.phoenix.edu
University of Phoenix-Columbus Georgia Campus	www.phoenix.edu

Note: The colleges and universities listed include public and private institutions. This list is updated periodically as information becomes available.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

## Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	24	15	24	-37.5	60.0
Aesthetician/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist°	6	7	23	16.7	228.6
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	100	97	50	-3.0	-48.5
Appliance Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	25	12	13	-52.0	8.3
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	5	54	29	980.0	-46.3
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	171	155	230	-9.4	48.4
Biology/Biological Sciences, General	4	4	10	0.0	150.0
Business Administration and Management, General°	24	26	56	8.3	115.4
Cabinetmaking and Millwork°	16	22	30	37.5	36.4
Carpentry/Carpenter°	52	65	103	25.0	58.5
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	50	49	57	-2.0	16.3
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	60	56	65	-6.7	16.1
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	54	60	120	11.1	100.0
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	49	15	10	-69.4	-33.3
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	25	35	56	40.0	60.0
Dental Assisting/Assistant	8	7	12	-12.5	71.4
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	14	12	15	-14.3	25.0
Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician	12	9	11	-25.0	22.2
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°	20	16	27	-20.0	68.8
Early Childhood Education and Teaching°	26	42	71	61.5	69.0
Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°	74	89	172	20.3	93.3
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/°	90	93	107	3.3	15.1
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General	2	6	13	200.0	116.7

# Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	41	32	38	-22.0	18.8
Legal Assistant/Paralegal°	7	12	21	71.4	75.0
Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities, Other	5	5	17	0.0	240.0
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	27	32	24	18.5	-25.0
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	11	9	21	-18.2	133.3
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	3	3	3	0.0	0.0
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	14	18	40	28.6	122.2
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	11	10	18	-9.1	80.0
Medical/Clinical Assistant	13	14	20	7.7	42.9
Nail Technician/Specialist and Manicurist°	1	3	1	200.0	-66.7
Network and System Administration/Administrator	12	17	24	41.7	41.2
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	26	41	115	57.7	180.5
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant	18	16	20	-11.1	25.0
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	25	20	23	-20.0	15.0
Physical Fitness Technician°	4	4	4	0.0	0.0
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	13	13	27	0.0	107.7
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	44	36	86	-18.2	138.9
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	12	15	12	25.0	-20.0
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	30	20	30	-33.3	50.0
Welding Technology/Welder°	65	76	147	16.9	93.4

Definition: All graduates except those listed as technical certificates(°) are diploma and degree graduates. Diploma and degree programs are one to two years in length. Technical certificates are less than a year in length. Duplication may occur due to graduates with multiple awards.

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

\*Data shown represents Annual 2013, 2014, and 2015.

Note: Please visit TCSG website for any college configuration changes.

## Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor

	TOTAL	Mgt.	Bus. and Finance	Comp. and Arch. Math	and Eng.	Life and Soc. Svcs.	Comm. and Svcs	Legal	Ed. and Training	Arts and Design	Health Prac.	Health Support
Chattahoochee	41	7	2	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	27	1
Harris	348	29	49	73	33	1	1	0	72	7	57	26
Marion	143	38	4	32	1	0	0	2	4	3	51	8
Muscogee	2,876	288	365	319	188	27	218	107	386	166	442	370
Subtotal Area	3,408	362	420	424	222	28	220	109	465	176	577	405

## Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor (cont.)

	TOTAL	Protect. Svcs.	Food Prep.	Ground Cleaning	Personal Care	Sales	Office Support	Farm. and Forestry	Cons- truction	Installation Main.	Prod.	Trans. and Moving
Chattahoochee	672	22	57	4	8	66	126	1	28	41	157	162
Harris	2,150	29	76	37	55	346	404	1	83	317	488	314
Marion	1,382	66	66	34	61	145	440	0	67	117	149	237
Muscogee	13,086	285	775	136	378	733	3,593	46	722	1,709	3,142	1,567
Subtotal Area	17,290	402	974	211	502	1,290	4,563	48	900	2,184	3,936	2,280

Note: For current applicant data available for a specific occupation, contact the nearest Georgia Department of Labor Career Center.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor (active applicants as of October 2016).

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